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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re the Application of:

Ronald J. Loftus

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For: "System and Method For High
Capacity/Failure Tolerance
Telecommunications In A Signaling
Network Gateway"

) Group Art Unit: 2662

) Examiner: Donald L. Mills

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<p align="center">CERTIFICATE OF MAILING</p> <p>I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on <u>9-20-2006</u></p> <p align="center">MARSH FISCHMANN & BREYFOGLE, LLP</p> <p>By: <u>Maureen Sileo</u> MAUREEN SILEO</p>

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE AFTER FINAL

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

The Applicant submits this Amendment and Response to address the Final Office Action having a mailing date of June 20, 2006. Although the Applicant believes that no claims fees are due for filing this Amendment and Response, please charge any fees deemed necessary to Deposit Account No. 50-1419.